

What is claimed is:

1. A structure of a compact case for filling with cosmetic materials and a powder puff, the compact case comprising the following components:

5 a cylindrically shaped lower case (40) integrally formed with a recessed axle-bearing portion (41) for mounting a hinge axle,

a cylindrically-shaped cover (10) integrally formed with a hook at the front portion and a projected hinge (11) at the rear portion for rotatably mounting to said recessed axle-bearing portion (41) through said hinge axle,

10 a circumferential external frame (30) formed with a cylindrically-shaped soft, elastic front portion for releasing said hook by pressing the front external surface, said circumferential external frame (30) disposed between said lower case (40) and cover (10),

15 a latching slot (31) located on an arcuated segment (31a) of the circumferential external frame (30) for latching said hook, and

an inner liner (20) formed with a cylindrically shaped lateral skirt and a disk-shaped flange (21) at the top surface and inserted inside of said circumferential external frame (30).

20 2. A structure of a compact case as claimed in claim 1, wherein said circumferential external frame (30) is further formed with a flat front inwardly positioned on said arcuated segment (31a) and a rectangular-shaped cutout at the rear portion for matching with said recessed axle-bearing portion (41) of the lower case (40).

3. A structure of a compact case as claimed in claim 1, wherein said disk-shaped flange (21) at the top surface of said inner liner (20) is further formed with a flat front (21a), a rectangular-shaped cutout at the rear portion for matching with said rectangular-shaped cutout of said circumferential external frame (30).

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4. A structure of a compact case as claimed in claim 3, wherein said flat cutout (21a) of the inner liner (20) and said flat front (31a) of the circumferential external frame (30) provide a gap or overlap for operating the latching slot (31).

10 5. A structure of a compact case as claimed in claim 1, wherein said cylindrically-shaped lateral skirt of said inner liner (20) is disposed along the inside of said circumferential external frame (30) to form a compartment with the bottom of said lower case (40), and the edge of said disk-shaped flange (21) of the inner liner (20) is internally sealed along the rim of the circumferential external frame (30).

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6. A structure of a compact case as claimed in claim 1 further comprises a cover with a smooth, circular exterior surface without any protruding portions, the circumferential external frame (30) and the lower case (40) upon which said latching device and projected hinge (11) are mounted inside of said recessed axle-bearing portion (41).

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